SUMMARY OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ARIZONA STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

HELD ON November 7, 2008 10:00 a.m., Arizona Time

The External Affairs Committee (EAC) of the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS) met in regular session in the 14th Floor Conference Room of the ASRS Office, 3300 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ, 85012. Mr. Jaime Gutierrez, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m., Arizona Time.

This meeting was teleconferenced to the ASRS Tucson office at 7660 East Broadway Boulevard, Suite 108, Tucson, Arizona, 85710.

1. Call to Order; Roll Call; Opening Remarks

Present: Mr. Jaime Gutierrez, Chair

Mr. Steven Zeman, Vice-Chair

Dr. Keith Meredith

Absent: Mr. Jim McLaughlin

A quorum of the Committee was present for the purpose of conducting business.

2. Approval of Minutes of the October 2, 2008 EAC Meeting

Mr. Gutierrez asked if there were any corrections or comments on the minutes of the October 2, 2008 EAC meeting. There were none.

Mr. Gutierrez asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Motion: Mr. Steve Zeman moved that the External Affairs Committee approve the minutes of the October 2, 2008 EAC meeting.

Dr. Keith Meredith seconded the motion.

By a vote of 3 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 1 excused the motion was approved.

3. Presentation, Discussion, and Appropriate Action Regarding the 2008 General Election

Ms. Lesli Sorensen, Government Relations Officer, discussed the 2008 General Election. Ms. Sorensen provided a brief summary of changes to the Arizona State Senate and Arizona House of Representatives leadership positions.

The Senate majority (Republican) leadership positions are as follows: President: Bob Burns; Majority Leader: Chuck Gray; Majority Whip: Pamela Gorman. For the minority (Democratic),

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leadership positions are as follows: Minority Leader: Jorge Garcia; Assistant Minority Leader: Rebecca Rios; Minority Whip: Linda Lopez.

The House majority (Republican) leadership positions are as follows: Speaker: Kirk Adams; Majority Leader: John McComish; Majority Whip: Andy Tobin. For the minority (Democratic), leadership positions are as follows: Minority Leader: David Lujan; Assistant Minority Leader: Kyrsten Sinema; Minority Whip: Chad Campbell.

4. Presentation, Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding the 2009 Legislative Initiatives

Ms. Sorensen addressed the Committee regarding the 2009 legislative initiatives. Ms. Sorensen stated the proposed ASRS legislation was approved by the full ASRS Board during the October Board meeting. The next step will be to find sponsors for the proposed legislation.

5. Future EAC Agenda Items

There were no requests for future agenda items.

6. Call to the Public

There were no additional requests to speak.

7. Adjournment of the ASRS External Affairs Committee

Mr. Gutierrez moved that the November 7, 2008 External Affairs Committee meeting be adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,			
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Committee Secretary		Assistant Director, Extern	nal Affairs